

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

BARRETT J. GAY,
Plaintiff,
v.
THE FACEBOOK, INC.,
Defendant.

Case No. [16-cv-03013 NC](#)

**ORDER RE: CONSENT OR
DECLINATION TO MAGISTRATE
JUDGE JURISDICTION;
RESOURCES FOR PRO SE
LITIGANTS**

Re: Dkt. No. 1

All parties are reminded that they must either consent to or decline the jurisdiction of a U.S. magistrate judge under 28 U.S.C. section 636. A form is attached to make this decision. Both parties are asked to file this form within 14 days.

Because plaintiff Gay is representing himself, also attached is a letter providing guidance to additional resources the Court provides pro se litigants.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 21, 2016


NATHANAEL M. COUSINS
United States Magistrate Judge

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**CONSENT OR DECLINATION TO
MAGISTRATE JUDGE JURISDICTION**

INSTRUCTIONS: Please indicate below by checking one of the two boxes whether you (if you are the party) or the party you represent (if you are an attorney in the case) choose(s) to consent or decline magistrate judge jurisdiction in this matter. Sign this form below your selection.

☐ **Consent** to Magistrate Judge Jurisdiction

In accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), I voluntarily **consent** to have a United States magistrate judge conduct all further proceedings in this case, including trial and entry of final judgment. I understand that appeal from the judgment shall be taken directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

OR

☐ **Decline** Magistrate Judge Jurisdiction

In accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), I **decline** to have a United States magistrate judge conduct all further proceedings in this case and I hereby request that this case be reassigned to a United States district judge.

DATE:

NAME:
COUNSEL FOR:
(OR "PRO SE:)

Signature

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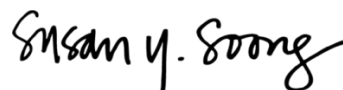
GENERAL COURT NUMBER
408-535-5363

To: Pro Se Litigant
Re: Representing Yourself Before This Court

Dear Pro Se Litigant:

If you are representing yourself in federal court without representation by an attorney, that is called proceeding “pro se.” The court has free resources to help you find your way through the court system and procedures. The Federal Pro Se Program at the San Jose Courthouse provides free information and limited-scope legal advice to pro se litigants in federal civil cases. The Federal Pro Se Program is available by appointment and on a drop-in basis. The Federal Pro Se Program is available at Room 2070 in the San Jose United States Courthouse (Monday to Thursday 1:00 – 4:00 pm, on Friday by appointment only), and The Law Foundation of Silicon Valley, 152 N. 3rd Street, 3rd Floor, San Jose, CA (Monday to Thursday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm, on Friday by appointment only), or by calling (408) 297-1480.

There are also online resources available on the court’s webpage. The Pro Se Handbook, found at <http://www.cand.uscourts.gov/prosehandbook>, has a downloadable version of the court’s own publication: *Representing Yourself in Federal Court: A Handbook for Pro Se Litigants*. Pay special attention to the **Civil Litigation Packets** tab on the left, which provides useful fillable forms. The Pro Se Handbook website also has a link to the Court’s Electronic Case Filing (ECF) website.



Susan Y. Soong

Clerk, United States District Court

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California.

That on June 21, 2016, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by placing said copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle located in the Clerk's office.

Barrett J. Gay
5329 Riverwalk Drive
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Atlanta, GA 30349

Dated: June 21, 2016

Susan Y. Soong
Clerk, United States District Court

By: 
Lili Harrell, Deputy Clerk to the
Honorable NATHANAEL M. COUSINS